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Dear Commissioner Henney:

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I am deeply concerned about what I have read recently regarding disease-causing bacteria which have become resistant to anti-biotics.


This is in part due to the fact that these anti-biotics are used pretty freely in agriculture to promote growth and prevent disease in animals.

It is my understanding that the U. S. is far behind Europe in the curtailing of the use of anti-biotics on farms.

This presents a serious threat to public health. Many staph infections are now resistant to penicillin, for example. Human lives can be lost when our "wonder drugs" no longer work.

I urge you to implement a ban on the use of anti-biotics in animal feed. The World Health Organization and the U. S. Center for Disease Control concur. Please listen.

Sincerely,


Margaret Coakley.

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